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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MOBS, UN, XF, AF

SUBJ: NIGHT REACH: KENYAN AIRLIFT

REF: STATE 018234

1. UN APPRECIATES US DECISION TO AIRLIFT KENYAN PERSONNEL,  
BAGGAGE AND NECESSARY LIGHT VEHICLES, AND AGREES TO UNDERSTANDINGS  
CONTAINED REFTEL. IT REQUESTS AS MUCH ADVANCE NOTICE OF PICKUP  
DATE AS POSSIBLE.

2. AS FOR NUMBER OF LIGHT VEHICLES NEEDED, FIELD OPERATIONS  
CHIEF LANSKY, JUST BACK FROM INSPECTION OF UNEF, SAYS JEEPS  
ARE IN EXTREMELY SHORT SUPPLY AND TEN THREE-QUARTER TON TRUCKS  
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ARE BARE MINIMUM NECESSARY FOR MOBILITY ON ARRIVAL.

3. UN HAS ALREADY EXPLORED SEALIFT ALTERNATIVE FOR KENYAN VEHICLES, AND HAS BEEN TOLD THAT--UNTIL RECENTLY AT LEAST--SUEZ PORTS HAVE BEEN CLOSED. IT WILL ASK UNEF HQ TO LOOK INTO MATTER AGAIN, NOW THAT ISRAELIS HAVE MOVED OUT OF SUEZ CITY. ANOTHER PROBLEM IS FINDING SHIP TRAVELING NORTH FROM KENYA WHICH COULD DELIVER VEHICLES IN REASONABLE TIME. UN WILL CHECK THIS. REQUESTED ACTION: IF US MILITARY OR COMMERCIAL CARGO SHIPS ARE SCHEDULED TAKE THIS ROUTE IN NEAR FUTURE, OR COULD BE CONVENIENTLY DIVERTED, REQUEST WE BE SENT DETAILS TO PASS TO UN. WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION EMBASSY NAIROBI CAN PROVIDE ON FREIGHTERS PLYING NORTH FROM MOMBASA.

4. ON OTHER POINTS RAISED PARA 4 REFTTEL, DEPT'S ASSUMPTION THAT SIZE OF GHANAIAAN AND SENEGALESE CONTINGENTS IN APPROXIMATELY SAME AS KENYA IN NOT CORRECT. KENYANS NUMBER 600, SENEGALESE 396 AND GHANAIAANS 499. AS DEPT AWARE, REASON GHANAIAAN CONTINGENT TOOK WITH IT RELATIVELY FEW VEHICLES WAS THAT IT DID NOT HAVE THEM--ADDITIONAL TRUCKS NEEDED FOR UNEF SERVICE HAVING BEEN ORDERED FROM USG.

5. INCIDENTALLY, WE PRESSED LANSKY AS TO WHETHER POLISH TRANSPORT UNIT WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO PROVIDE KENYAN CONTINGENT WITH ENOUGH TRUCKS TO KEEP IT GOING UNTIL ITS OWN VEHICLES ARRIVE. LANSKY REPLIED THIS COULD PROBABLY BE MANAGED SO LONG AS POLES SERVICED AREA TO WHICH KENYANS WERE ASSIGNED. (UNDER PRESENT ARRANGEMENTS, THIS WILL ALMOST CERTAINLY BE THE CASE SINCE NEITHER POLAND NOR KENYA HAS DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL.)  
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